

Senate Bill No. 560–Committee on Finance

CHAPTER.....

AN ACT relating to governmental administration; making appropriations to various projects and programs that benefit the residents of this state; establishing a position of Weed Control Analyst and providing the powers and duties of the position; advancing the effective date of certain previously enacted provisions concerning the governmental regulation of the practice of dentistry; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN  
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the State Department of Agriculture the sum of \$10,000 to establish and maintain a program for the eradication and control of nests and colonies of ants of the genus and species *Solenopsis invicta* or *Solenopsis richteri*, or a hybrid of either, and bees of the genus, species and subspecies *Apis mellifera scutellata*, or a hybrid thereof.

2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

**Sec. 2.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the State Department of Agriculture to carry out the provisions of sections 33 and 34 of this act:

For the fiscal year 1999-2000.....\$46,764

For the fiscal year 2000-2001.....\$54,845

2. Any balance of the sums appropriated by subsection 1 remaining at the end of the respective fiscal years must not be committed for expenditure after June 30 of the respective fiscal years and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

**Sec. 3.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the Department of Museums, Library and Arts the sum of \$200,000 for a Program Coordinator, additional staff person, and program and office expenses to continue the Nevada Humanities Committee Office in southern Nevada.

2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

**Sec. 4.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the Department of Education for distribution to school districts to purchase library books:

For the fiscal year 1999-2000.....\$374,000

For the fiscal year 2000-2001.....\$374,00

2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, the board of trustees of a school district may submit an application to the Department of Education for a grant of money from the appropriation made by subsection 1 on a form provided by the Department of Education. Such an application must include a description of the:

(a) Amount of money expended by the school district, excluding gifts and grants, in the immediately preceding year for the purchase of library books for use in the media centers of school libraries within the school district; and

(b) Financial needs of the school district to maintain an adequate supply of library books in the media centers of school libraries within the school district.

3. Upon receipt of such an application, the Department of Education shall review the application to determine whether it is complete. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, the Department of Education shall approve an application if it is complete.

4. The Department of Education shall apportion the money available for each fiscal year among the school districts whose applications have been approved. Each school district is entitled to receive, within the limits of money available, an amount equal to not more than 50 percent of the money that the school district expended, excluding gifts and grants, on the purchase of library books for use in the media centers of school libraries in the immediately preceding year.

5. The board of trustees of a school district that receives a grant of money pursuant to subsection 4 shall use the money to purchase library books for use in the media centers of school libraries.

6. The board of trustees of a school district that receives a grant of money pursuant to subsection 4 shall not use the money to:

(a) Supplant or cause to be reduced any other source of funding for the media centers of school libraries within the school district.

(b) Settle or arbitrate disputes or negotiate settlements between an organization that represents licensed employees of the school district and the school district.

(c) Adjust the schedules of salaries and benefits of the employees of the school district.

7. If the board of trustees of a school district receives a grant of money pursuant to subsection 4 for the fiscal year 1999-2000 and the board of trustees does not expend at least the amount of money, excluding gifts and grants, that the board of trustees expended in the immediately preceding year on the purchase of library books for media centers of school libraries, the board of trustees is not eligible to apply for a grant of money for the fiscal year 2000-2001. If the Department of Education receives an application from a school district and, upon review of the information contained in the application described in paragraph (a) of subsection 2, the Department determines that the board of trustees did not expend at least the amount of money that the board of trustees expended in the immediately

preceding year on the purchase of library books for media centers of school libraries, the Department shall deny the application.

8. As used in this section, “media center of a school library” means a centralized collection of educational resources located in a school library that is designed to:

- (a) Integrate the curriculum of a school;
- (b) Teach pupils skills in methods to acquire information; and
- (c) Ensure that teachers and pupils use the resources of information offered in a school library.

9. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 for:

(a) The fiscal year 1999-2000 must be transferred and added to the money appropriated for the fiscal year 2000-2001.

(b) The fiscal year 2000-2001, including any money added thereto pursuant to paragraph (a), must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

**Sec. 5.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the University of Nevada School of Medicine for the expansion of the program administered by the Pediatric Diabetes and Endocrinology Center:

For the fiscal year 1999-2000.....\$379,500

For the fiscal year 2000-2001.....\$379,500

2. The sums appropriated by subsection 1 are available for either fiscal year. Any balance of those sums must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

3. The money appropriated by subsection 1 must be used to pay the salaries of professional and support personnel on the multi-disciplinary team of the Pediatric Diabetes and Endocrinology Center, including, without limitation, pediatric endocrinologists, licensed clinical social workers, exercise physiologists, psychologists, health analysts, biostatisticians, nurse practitioners, registered nurses and registered dietitians.

4. The Pediatric Diabetes and Endocrinology Center shall create an advisory board consisting of the eight members of the executive committee of the Nevada Diabetes Council and three additional members who are medical and allied health professionals in the field of diabetes to provide advice to the Pediatric Diabetes and Endocrinology Center regarding the collaboration between the various state agencies, focusing primarily on the care and treatment of children with diabetes.

5. The Pediatric Diabetes Endocrinology Center shall ensure that a data analysis is conducted to evaluate the financial situation of the program administered by the center and the medical results of patients who receive care under the program. The advisory board shall monitor and review the data analysis and provide advice based on the results of the analysis.

**Sec. 6.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the legislative fund the sum of \$250,000 for use by the Legislative Committee on Public Lands for the following purposes:

- (a) To maximize opportunities for the transfer and acquisition of federal public lands within Nevada;
- (b) To study water management practices within the Humboldt River Basin; or
- (c) Any other purpose related to maximizing the utilization and enjoyment of public lands by Nevadans.

The money appropriated pursuant to this subsection may be expended directly by the Legislative Committee on Public Lands or through money granted to applicants.

2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

**Sec. 7.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the Office of Science, Engineering and Technology, established by NRS 396.798, for operating and travel expenses and salaries for a director, full-time staff assistant and half-time clerical position:

For the fiscal year 1999-2000.....\$280,081

For the fiscal year 2000-2001.....\$255,427

2. Any balance of the sums appropriated by subsection 1 remaining at the end of the respective fiscal years must not be committed for expenditure after June 30 of the respective fiscal years and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

**Sec. 8.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the University and Community College System of Nevada the sum of \$75,000 for the design of a community college to be located in Mesquite.

2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

**Sec. 9.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the Department of Transportation the sum of \$300,000 for use with federal money received pursuant to 49 U.S.C. §§ 5310 and 5311, for operating costs and the purchase of paratransit vehicles for transportation programs for elderly persons and persons with disabilities.

2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

**Sec. 10.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the Nevada Commission for National and Community Service the sum of \$125,000 for continuation of its programs dedicated to promoting citizen volunteerism.

2. The appropriation made by subsection 1 is contingent upon the Nevada Commission for National and Community Service obtaining matching money from the Federal Government. The Nevada Commission for National and Community Service shall submit a certification or other proof satisfactory to the State Controller that the matching money has been committed by the Federal Government before the money appropriated by subsection 1 may be distributed.

3. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

**Sec. 11.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the Alliance for the Mentally Ill of Nevada the sum of \$75,000 for the expenses involved in the training of volunteers, the coordination of the "Family to Family" program and evaluation of its success, and for the installation of a toll-free telephone number for persons to call who need help regarding caring for a family member with a serious brain disorder.

2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

**Sec. 12.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to "Kids Count" for development of statistics to determine priorities for funding programs for children:

For the fiscal year 1999-2000.....\$50,000

For the fiscal year 2000-2001.....\$100,000

2. Any balance of the sums appropriated by subsection 1 remaining at the end of the respective fiscal years must not be committed for expenditure after June 30 of the respective fiscal years and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

**Sec. 13.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the Life Line Pregnancy Assistance and Vocational Training Center the sum of \$200,000 for the continuation of its nonprofit pregnancy assistance, educational and vocational training center.

2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

**Sec. 14.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to Mineral County the sum of \$437,000 for expenses related to the renovation of the Hawthorne National Guard Armory into a facility to house juvenile offenders.

2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after the project is completed and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

**Sec. 15.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the University and Community College System of Nevada the sum of \$175,000 for the purchase of ultrasound imaging equipment and the necessary computer support and training to operate the equipment.

2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

**Sec. 16.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the National Judicial College the sum of \$120,000 for the Death Penalty Resource Center to provide education and training for judges, prosecutors and defense attorneys regarding the laws relating to capital punishment.

2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

**Sec. 17.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the Department of Education for vocational student organizations:

For the fiscal year 1999-2000.....\$100,000

For the fiscal year 2000-2001.....\$100,000

2. All expenditures of the money appropriated by subsection 1 must be recorded and accounted for in the accounts of the State of Nevada or a school district to which the money has been granted.

3. Any balance of the sums appropriated by subsection 1 remaining at the end of the respective fiscal years must not be committed for expenditure after June 30 of the respective fiscal years and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

**Sec. 18.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the Division of Mental Health and Developmental Services of the Department of Human Resources the sum of \$200,000 to contract with community-based agencies to provide enhanced suicide hotline services and expanded suicide hotline services statewide.

2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

**Sec. 19.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to Washoe County the sum of \$80,000 for the Gerlach Community Center Expansion Project.

2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after the project is completed and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

**Sec. 20.** There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the Make-A-Wish Foundation in Reno, the sum of \$100,000, and to the Make-A-Wish Foundation in Las Vegas, the sum of \$100,000.

**Sec. 21.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the University and Community College System of Nevada the sum of \$250,000 for the Harry Reid Center for Environmental Studies at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

**Sec. 22.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the Department of Education the sum of \$123,750 for operating and other expenses of the "Classroom on Wheels" program.

2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

**Sec. 23.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state highway fund to the Department of Transportation the sum of \$67,000 for the erection of directional signs on West Desert Inn Road. The Department of Transportation and Clark County shall cooperatively design and install the required directional signage.

2. Clark County may use the money appropriated by subsection 1 only if matching money is provided by Clark County from sources other than the appropriation made by subsection 1.

3. The State Controller shall not distribute any money from the appropriation made pursuant to subsection 1 until Clark County has committed the matching money required by subsection 2.

4. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1, must not be committed for expenditure after the project is completed and reverts to the state highway fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

**Sec. 24.** There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the Nevada Women's Fund the sum of \$50,000.

**Sec. 25.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the State Public Works Board the sum of \$2,000,000 for capital improvement projects approved by the 70th session of the Nevada Legislature to be allocated as follows:

(a) \$1,000,000 for Campus Improvements, UNLV, project No. 99-U2.

(b) \$1,000,000 for Campus Improvements, UNR, project No. 99-U3.

2. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 1 of Assembly Bill No. 699 of this session, the sum appropriated by section 1 is to reduce the amount of general obligation bonds authorized for capital improvements projects Nos. 99-U2 and 99-U3 by the amount allocated for each of those projects pursuant to subsection 1.

**Sec. 26.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the Economic Opportunity Board of Clark County the sum of \$250,000

for the replacement of its paratransit fleet that provides transportation for senior citizens, children and persons with disabilities.

2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 of this act must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

**Sec. 27.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the Health Division of the Department of Human Resources the Sum of \$25,000 for carrying out the provisions of section 10 of Senate Bill No. 197 of this session.

2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

**Sec. 28.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the veterans' home that is established in southern Nevada the sum of \$15,000 for the operational costs of the on-site facility that provides temporary housing for the spouses of veterans residing in the veterans' home.

2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

**Sec. 29.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the Las Vegas Springs Preserve Foundation the sum of \$50,000.

2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

**Sec. 30.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the Interim Finance Committee for distribution to Douglas County the sum of \$2,800,000 for improvements to and the expansion of the China Spring Youth Camp including:

- (a) The construction of a new 24-bed female juvenile dormitory;
- (b) The construction of a new 40-bed male juvenile dormitory;
- (c) The construction of an administration building; and
- (d) Improvements to the septic system to handle the increased

population.

2. The Interim Finance Committee shall distribute to Douglas County an amount equal to the actual cost for the work performed up to the amount appropriated pursuant to subsection 1 after it receives a report from Douglas County of the work performed and the actual cost for that work.

3. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after the projects are completed and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.



**Sec. 31.** Senate Bill No. 181 of this session is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section, designated sec. 10, following sec. 9, to read as follows:

**Sec. 10.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

**Sec. 32.** Chapter 555 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 33 and 34 of this act:

**Sec. 33. 1. *The position of weed control analyst is hereby created in the department.***

**2. *The director shall appoint the weed control analyst. The person so appointed:***

**(a) *Is in the classified service of the state;***

**(b) *Must be a scientist who possesses a master's degree in one of the biological sciences from an accredited college or university; and***

**(c) *Must be selected on the basis of his training, experience, capability and interest in biological methods of controlling noxious weeds.***

**Sec. 34. *The weed control analyst shall:***

**1. *Research biological methods of controlling noxious weeds in this state;***

**2. *Document the effectiveness of those methods in controlling noxious weeds;***

**3. *Develop strategies for managing noxious weeds in this state; and***

**4. *Perform such other duties as requested by the director.***

**Sec. 35.** NRS 561.305 is hereby amended to read as follows:

561.305 The department shall establish and maintain a laboratory for the following purposes:

1. The diagnosis of infectious, contagious and parasitic diseases of livestock, as may be necessary under the provisions of chapter 571 of NRS.

2. The diagnosis of infectious, contagious and parasitic diseases of bees, as may be necessary under the provisions of NRS 552.085 to 552.310, inclusive.

3. The diagnosis of infectious, contagious and destructive diseases of agricultural commodities, and infestations thereof by pests, as may be necessary under the provisions of NRS 554.010 to 554.240, inclusive.

4. The survey and identification of insect pests, plant diseases and noxious weeds, and the maintenance of a herbarium, as may be necessary under the provisions of NRS 555.010 to 555.249, inclusive ~~§~~, and ***sections 33 and 34 of this act.***

5. The testing of pesticides, as may be necessary under the provisions of NRS 555.2605 to 555.460, inclusive, and 586.010 to 586.450, inclusive.

6. The safekeeping and maintenance of official standards of weights and measures, as may be necessary under the provisions of chapter 581 of NRS.

7. The testing and grading of agricultural products and the testing of the purity and germinating power of agricultural seeds and the testing of the spray residue contained in produce, as may be necessary under the provisions of chapter 587 of NRS.

8. The analysis and testing of commercial fertilizers and agricultural minerals, as may be necessary under the provisions of NRS 588.010 to 588.350, inclusive.

9. The analysis and testing of petroleum products, as may be necessary under the provisions of NRS 590.010 to 590.150, inclusive.

10. The analysis and testing of antifreeze, as may be necessary under the provisions of NRS 590.340 to 590.450, inclusive.

11. Any laboratory examinations, diagnoses, analyses or testing as may be deemed necessary by the director and which can be made with equipment available in any such laboratory. Any ~~person~~ *resident of this state* may submit samples to the department for examination, diagnosis, analysis or testing, subject to such rules and regulations as may be adopted by the director.

**Sec. 36.** 1. This section and section 31 of this act become effective upon passage and approval.

2. Sections 1 to 27, inclusive, 32, 33 and 34 of this act become effective on July 1, 1999.

3. Section 35 of this act becomes effective at 12:01 a.m. on July 1, 1999.

4. Sections 28, 29 and 30 of this act become effective on July 1, 2000.

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